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To:

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From:

William T Fujioka

Chief Executive Officer

STATUS ON THE REVIEW OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHILD PROTECTION HOTLINE

On August 28, 2007, on motion of Supervisor Burke, the Board instructed the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to work in concert with the Auditor-Controller (Auditor) and the Director of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to: 1) conduct a review of a statistically valid number of calls made to the Child Protection Hotline within the last year, examining issues such as: response times, quantity and nature of calls, current mechanisms for quality control, reasons for dropped calls and the utilization of the callback message system; and 2) report back to the Board within 30 days with findings and recommendations.

We met with the Auditor and DCFS to collect data and begin the review and analysis of calls made to the Child Protection Hotline within the last year. However, based on the volume and complexity of the information, we will be unable to complete our analysis and report back to your Board within the required timeframe. Therefore, this office requests a 45 day extension to complete our review and report back with findings and recommendations.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me, or your staff may contact Brian Mahan at (213) 974-1318.

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